## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## <u>Listing of Claims:</u>

- 1. (currently amended) A method [[for]] of distributing stream data based on a multipath scheme using Transmission Control Protocol (TCP), the method comprising the steps of:
  - a) requesting an input unit to transmit stream data;
- b) receiving <u>TCP packets loaded with</u> the stream data generated in the input unit based on <u>a</u> TCP scheme;
- c) assigning the received stream data of the TCP packets to a specific channel to determine the kind of broadcasting service based on the specific channel of the received stream data;
- d) confirming a <u>neighboring</u> relay that requests stream data transmission of the specific channel <u>by using a routing table</u>;
- e) transmitting <u>TCP packets loaded with</u> the stream data to one or more <u>neighboring</u> relays that request stream data transmission of the specific channel according to transmission control information of a controller; and
  - f) receiving the stream data of the specific channel from one of neighboring relays.
- 2. (currently amended) The method as recited in claim 1, further comprising the steps of:
- g) confirming that the stream data generated in the input unit [[are]]  $\underline{i}\underline{s}$  not transmitted; and

- h) requesting neighboring relays to transmit the stream data of the specific channel.
- 3. (currently amended) The method as recited in claim 1, further comprising the steps of:
- i) receiving the stream data generated in the input unit from a plurality of <u>neighboring</u> relays; and
- j) releasing a connection with other <u>neighboring</u> relays except a neighboring relay with the fastest transmission rate among the <u>neighboring</u> relays according to <u>the</u> transmission control information of the controller.
  - 4. (original) The method as recited in claim 1, further comprising the steps of:
- k) receiving a request for the stream data transmission of the specific channel from a player; and
- l) transmitting the stream data to one or more players that make a request to transmit the stream data of the specific channel based on the TCP scheme according to transmission control information of a controller.
- 5. (currently amended) The method as recited in claim 1, wherein in the step d), an internet address of the <u>neighboring</u> relay that makes a request to transmit the stream data to the specific channel is confirmed using [[a]] <u>the</u> routing table storing information of the one or more neighboring relays that make a request to transmit the stream data of the specific channel.
- 6. (currently amended) The method as recited in claim 1, wherein the input unit compresses moving picture data provided by a contents provider and generates the stream data in form of a frame pack including frames and header information of the compressed moving picture data.

- 7. (**currently amended**) The method as recited in claim 1, wherein the controller provides the transmission control information, which includes such as changing a path, dividing a channel or merging channels, to the <u>neighboring</u> relay based on the TCP scheme while monitoring the bit rate of the stream data and the network states.
- 8. (currently amended) A computer-readable recording medium containing therein for recording a program that, when executed, implements a method [[for]] of distributing stream data based on a multi-path scheme using Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) in a video-on-demand (VOD) system provided with a processor, the method comprising the steps of:
  - a) requesting an input unit to transmit stream data;
- b) receiving <u>TCP packets loaded with</u> the stream data generated in the input unit based on <u>a</u> TCP scheme;
- c) assigning the received stream data of the TCP packets to a specific channel to determine the kind of broadcasting service based on the specific channel of the received stream data;
- d) confirming a <u>neighboring</u> relay that requests stream data transmission of the specific channel <u>by using a routing table</u>;
- e) transmitting <u>TCP packets loaded with</u> the stream data to one or more <u>neighboring</u> relays that request stream data transmission of the specific channel according to transmission control information of a controller; and
  - f) receiving the stream data of the specific channel from one of neighboring relays.
- 9. (currently amended) The computer-readable recording medium as recited in claim 8, the method further comprising the steps of:
- g) confirming that the stream data generated in the input unit [[are]] <u>is</u> not transmitted; and
  - h) requesting neighboring relays to transmit the stream data of the specific channel.

- 10. (currently amended) The computer-readable recording medium as recited in claim 8, the method further comprising the steps of:
- i) receiving the stream data generated in the input unit from a plurality of <u>neighboring</u> relays; and
- j) releasing connections with other <u>neighboring</u> relays except a neighboring relay with the fastest transmission rate among the <u>neighboring</u> relays according to <u>the</u> transmission control information of the controller.
- 11. (currently amended) The computer-readable recording medium as recited in claim 8, the method further comprising the steps of:
- k) receiving a request of the stream data transmission to the specific channel from a player; and
- l) transmitting the stream data to one or more players that make a request to transmit the stream data of the specific channel based on the TCP scheme according to transmission control information of a controller.